

CIVIC FEDERATION BACKS EFFORTS TO GET ARMOR PLANT

Union, Representing Twenty-seven of Largest Associations, Enters Fight.

The Federation of Citizens' Associations, representing twenty-seven of the largest civic organizations in the District, unanimously endorsed the efforts of the trade bodies to have the \$11,000,000 Government armor plate plant erected in Washington at its first meeting of the season in the boardroom of the District building last night.

A committee, consisting of W. H. Richardson, Charles S. Shreve, William McK. Clayton, Herman A. Phillips, and S. S. Symons, was appointed to co-operate with other agencies working to bring the plant here.

Marks New Era.

The meeting last night marked a new era in the history of the federation, for it was the first time since the establishment of the present form of government in 1878 that an organization so representative of the taxpayers was allowed to meet in the District Building.

Daniel J. Donovan told the federation in behalf of the commissioners that they were granted permission to meet in the District Building, not as a special privilege, but because it is their right to meet there, since the commissioners recognize the federation as the clearing house through which they learn the wants of the citizens.

Major Pullman and Corporation Counsel Conrad H. Syme both expressed the belief that the coming of the federation to the District Building gave to the federation the status of an unofficial city council and marked a step nearer self government for the District.

Edward F. Colladay, president of the federation, said this morning that the resolution adopted last night, urging an enlargement of McKinley Manual Training School, will be followed up by a vigorous campaign to secure additional room there.

Has 1,175 Students.

Mr. Colladay pointed out this morning that McKinley has an enrollment of 1,175 students, with an assembly hall which seats only 500. He further pointed out it has not gymnasium facilities.

The federation also launched a campaign for the repeal of the Borland amendment, which assesses half the cost of street improvements on abutting property owners. The federation will appeal to the Commissioners to urge upon Congress the repeal of the law as soon as that body reconvenes in December.

Many delegates urged as a drastic step that Congress be requested to make no appropriations for street improvements in the District next year unless the Borland law is repealed.

Dr. William Tindall, one of the best informed men on the history of the District government, attended the meeting as delegate from the Washington Heights Citizens' Association which has just entered the federation.

ALL ARE SAVED FROM SHIP AFIRE AT SEA

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crew is taken to indicate that all aboard will be dropped into Hampton Roads by the Onondaga tows the disabled steamer into that port.

The Antilla sailed from Guantanamo, Cuba, September 30, for New York.

CAPTAIN STAYS ON ANTILLA TILL LAST

CHARLESTON, S. C., Oct. 8.—Staying to the last with his burning ship, Captain Blackadder, of the Ward liner Antilla, was taken off early today by the steamer Somerset, with his wife, four of his crew, and the wireless operator.

The Antilla, loaded with lumber and sugar, burned to the water's edge 150 miles off the Virginia coast.

At 6 o'clock this morning Captain Blackadder sent the following message by wireless from the Somerset:

"Fire in bunkers burning furiously. He is enveloped in smoke, but we are ready to go back to her at any time."

Called an Aid.

When the fire started the captain sent out wireless calls for assistance and received answers from the Somerset and the Coast Guard cutters Onondaga and Apache.

Forty-two members of the crew were taken off in lifeboats to the Somerset, but the captain and the others refused to desert the ship till the last.

The Antilla was built in England in 1904. Her gross tonnage was 5,564, and she was 358 feet long.

The wireless operator sticking manfully to his post, kept sending out calls for help last night, saying that the flames were creeping upon him and that he probably would have to quit.

Urged Ships to Hurry.

At that time he flashed that the vessels running out must hasten, though he said almost everyone had already got safely into life boats.

The Antilla was due to arrive in New York today. She sailed from Guantanamo September 30, taking a crew of forty-six, but the passenger list—if any—is unknown here. The operator gave no details as to the cause of the fire.

Giant Eagles in Battle With Trio of Hunters

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 8.—Attacked by two monster eagles while deer hunting in the Malibu district, Doctor Kingsbury, of Ocean Park; G. M. Williams, a rancher; and Policeman Harry Wright, of Santa Monica, fought two hours before they were able to kill the birds.

Shrieking and screaming, the eagles swooped at the men with their claws, tearing Wright's clothing in many places, and inflicting a flesh wound on Kingsbury's right shoulder.

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Post Thinks Europe Will Need All Labor To Recoup From War

The view that this country need not apprehend a flood of immigration from Europe after the war, but, on the other hand, workers will be kept in that part of the world by the demands for labor and that workers from here will even be called on to help in the reconstruction of the nations was stated today by Acting Secretary of Labor Louis F. Post.

Mr. Post has given thought to the subject of immigration, which is a matter over which his department has jurisdiction. Just now much is being said of the probable flood of immigrants from Europe after the war closes.

"In the case of Galveston, after the flood, and San Francisco after the earthquake," asked Mr. Post, "did we see labor flocking away from these centers? No. There was a great demand for labor and for materials for the rebuilding of those cities. In the same

way, when the destruction of the war in Europe is ended, in my opinion, there will be great activity to rebuild and restore what has been shattered. Workers will be in demand. The level of wages will have a tendency to rise. In all likelihood there will be such demand for labor as to attract workers from this country."

Mr. Post, therefore, does not think this country need worry about a huge flood of immigration. He does not believe there will be a big immigration of maimed and crippled from Europe. He thinks the demand for labor in Europe after the war will be such as to give many of the crippled employment and as the different governments will do what they can for their crippled soldiers he does not look for many of them to seek other fields.

As Mr. Post views the prospect, Europe's reconstructive activities when the war is over will make it a great field for labor and products of various kinds.

LABOR CHIEFS WILL DEFEND 8-HOUR LAW

Big Public Mass Meeting to Be Held in National Rifles Armory.

The eight-hour law will be defended by chiefs of labor Friday night at a public mass meeting at the National Rifles Armory. Among other speakers, Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, will present his views.

The meeting is to be held under the auspices of the Wilson Eight-Hour League, and it is anticipated that a strong defense of President Wilson's course will be made.

Among the other speakers Friday night will be A. B. Garretson, president of the Order of Railway Conductors and spokesmen for the railway unions during the Washington conferences with the executives this summer; William G. Lee, chief of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; William C. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor.

This is understood to be one of the biggest guns in labor's fight for President Wilson for his part in securing some part of an eight hour day for them.

W. J. Costello, temporary president of the League, will open the meeting. Immediately after the opening of the will be effected. F. A. Shugrue is temporary secretary.

SUPREME COURT CONVENES TOMORROW

Associate Justice Clark to Take Place for First Time.

The Supreme Court of the United States will convene tomorrow for the 1916 session.

For the first time since his appointment by President Wilson, Associate Justice John H. Clark, of Ohio, will take his place on the bench.

It is the custom for the Supreme Court, on convening for the first time, to adjourn shortly afterward and go to the White House, where the members of the court pay their respects to the President. The absence of President Wilson, however, will prevent this, and the formality will be omitted.

Arguments of cases before the court will be begun Tuesday, but no decisions will be handed down until the following Monday, it is understood.

There are more than 700 cases on the docket now, the court being about a year behind in its work. There are many important cases among them, including a number of anti-trust cases brought up under the Sherman anti-trust law. Others include attacks on the Webb liquor law, the Mann white slave act, the migratory bird law, minimum wage laws, and a ten-hour day law for men.

WILL DEMONSTRATE NEW SEMAPHORES

Major Pullman has called a meeting of Washington's traffic squad, to be held in the board room at the District Building at 7:30 o'clock tonight, at which the workings of the new semaphores will be explained and traffic problems in general discussed.

The new semaphores, which will be placed at all important crossings, tomorrow, combine umbrella protection for the policeman with the regulation railroad signal lamp, which, Major Pullman stated this morning, will leave motorists with no excuse for not seeing and heeding the "stop" or "go" signal.

Major Pullman said no new instructions on traffic regulation will be given the men tonight.

Through the courtesy of Police Commissioner Woods, of New York, Major Pullman will show the local traffic men a moving picture film, revealing the common mistakes made by both motorists and pedestrians, which lead to accidents.

Three Months For His "Hello, Girls"

Magistrate Imposes Heavy Sentence on Man Accused of Accosting Two Women.

NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—Three months in the workhouse is the price Henry Pike, a ticket speculator, will pay for having accosted two young women in the street.

Pike was arrested Thursday night on the complaint of Miss Ruth Stanton, of 607 West 129th street, and a young woman accompanying her. They were passing Forty-first street in Broadway when they said Pike called to them: "Hello, girls." When they hurried on to avoid him they said he followed and used offensive language. Then the young women called a policeman.

Magistrate Nolan, in the men's night court, found Pike guilty that night, but reserved sentence until last night until Pike's record could be investigated.

They reported last night that a Henry Pike had been arrested on a similar complaint some time ago, and then, Magistrate Nolan, in imposing the heavy sentence, said:

"It is about time that men should know they cannot stand on street corners and insult and annoy women and girls."

Told Child Was Better, Mother Finds It Buried

NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—Mrs. Michael Napis, of Yonkers, was happy when doctors notified her that her baby had recovered from infantile paralysis. Rushing to the hospital her joy became grief, for her baby had been buried under another name a week ago.



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